

CASHLESS TRANSACTION CLEARINGHOUSE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A disclosed cashless instrument transaction clearinghouse provides
clearinghouse server including a network interface allowing the cashless instrument
transaction clearinghouse to communicate with a number of gaming properties and a
processor configured to enable the validation of cashless instruments at a gaming
property different from where the cashless instrument was generated. Methods are
provided that allow a plurality of cashless gaming devices located at different gaming
10 properties to communicate with one another via the cashless instrument transaction
clearinghouse in a secure manner using symmetric and asymmetric encryption
techniques. Further, to reduce the possibilities of theft and fraud, the methods allow a
receiver of a message to authenticate an identity of a sender of a message.

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